SEP 2 2 2006

PTO/SB/08A (07-05) Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ed to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act Substitute for form 1449/PTO

Sheet 1

## A PADEMARY INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Complete if Known		
Application Number	10/558,440	
Filing Date	11/28/2005	
First Named Inventor	Juergen GADE	
Art Unit		
Examiner Name		
Attorney Docket Number	3926.231	

			U. S. PATENT	DOCUMENTS	
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code <sup>2 (# known)</sup>		1	
D.P.	1	<sup>US-</sup> 4,965,915	10-20-1990	Steininger	·
		U\$-	_		
		US-			
-		US-			
		US-			
	t	US-			
	<del> </del>	US-	-		
	†	US-			
		US-			
		US-			
	<u> </u>	US-			
		US-			
	1	US-			
		US-			

		FORE	IGN PATENT DOCL			,
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages	١.
		Country Code <sup>3</sup> "Number <sup>4</sup> "Kind Code <sup>3</sup> (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY		Or Relevant Figures Appear	T
DΡ		DE 840 055 C	05-26-1952	Barenyi Bela		
D.P.		DE 1 096 227 B	12-29-1960	Daimler-Benz AG		
D.P.		DE 44 25 633 C1	11-02-1995	Daimler-Benz AG		
D.P.		DE 42 23 563 C1	09-02-1993	Mercedes-Benz AG		
		DE 195 28 309 C2	03-19-1998	Daimler-Benz AG		
D.P.		DE 195 28 309 C2	03-19-1998	Daimler-Benz AG		

Examiner Signature	/Dennis Pedder/	Date Considered	05/15/2007

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. \*Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). \*See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at <a href="https://www.uspto.gov">www.uspto.gov</a> or MPEP 901.04. \*Enter Office that Issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). \*For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. \*Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.18 if possible. \*Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language

Translation is attached.
This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.